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## ALLIES STORM ASHORE AT INCHON AS UN FORCES TAKE OFFENSIVE

### First report of invasion "killed"

The first news of the Allied invasion of Inchon yesterday was given to correspondents in Korea by General Chung Il Kwon, South Korean commander-in-chief.

Correspondents were "ordered" by General MacArthur's Headquarters to "kill" their reports on the invasion but the news agencies issued the reports anyway.

Later the invasion was officially announced in a communiqué from General MacArthur's Headquarters.

### Marines spearhead attack from huge invasion fleet

### S. KOREANS LAND ON EAST COAST

Tokyo, September 15.

American Marines and Army infantry stormed ashore on Korea's West coast today, far behind the Red battle lines, and knifed swiftly under fire into the big port of Inchon.

The landings were made at the harbour for Seoul, Red-held South Korean capital 22 miles inland.

Covered by bombardments from British and American warships the Marines landed at dawn.

Eleven hours later the American 10th Army Corps went ashore.

Led by tanks, they drove three miles into Inchon.

General MacArthur, United Nations Commander, who planned the bold operation, was on hand to direct the landings.

He said: "The Navy and Marines have never shone more brightly than this morning."

Later, he said, that a deep penetration might break the backbone of the Korean Red army.

At the same time, South Korean Marines landed on Korea's East coast. These co-ordinated thrusts deep in Red territory were the start of the long-awaited United Nations offensive.

This was a day of turning tides, coming after a series of bitterly fought, Allied defensive actions that began with the tank-led North Korean assault across the 38th Parallel.

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The Big Three Foreign Ministers concluded their three-day meeting yesterday with full agreement on the need for taking immediate steps to strengthen the anti-Communist defences in Europe and Asia.

The Big Three agreed in principle on the programme for study today, which includes:

1. Establishment of combined forces directed by a supreme commander and an international strategy staff to defend Western Europe.

2. Prompt increase of the Allied forces in Europe, including American troops to be supported by a programme of rapid production of modern arms of all kinds.

3. Steps to safeguard Western Germany and the Western zones of Berlin against Red-backed sabotage. This includes a strengthened German police.

The North Atlantic Foreign Ministers will approve a high priority list of 60 odd items placed before them by their delegates who have held 25 preparatory meetings in recent weeks. The list includes fighter aircraft, guns of all kinds, trucks and ammunition. A bigger list will be reconsidered when "quarantine" projects are underway.

The nations joining the important new defence talks are Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway and Portugal. They are expected to reflect Turkey's urgent plea for admission to the North Atlantic Defence Treaty.—United Press.

**The weather**

At 0600 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) the tropical depression which had been moving westward across the South China Sea is intensifying slowly and is now about 100 miles from the Chinese mainland. It extends westward across the South China Sea and the centre of Indo-China. A ridge of high pressure extends from the Pacific anti-cyclone across Indo-China.

Today's Forecast—Light Ely. winds mainly fair but with occasional showers.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum: 20.4 deg. F. Minimum: 22.6 deg. F. Rainfall: 6.7 hours. Rainfall: 2.6 mm=0.18 in. Total since Jan. 1—10,064 mm=43.3 in. against an average of 13,814 mm=54.1 in.

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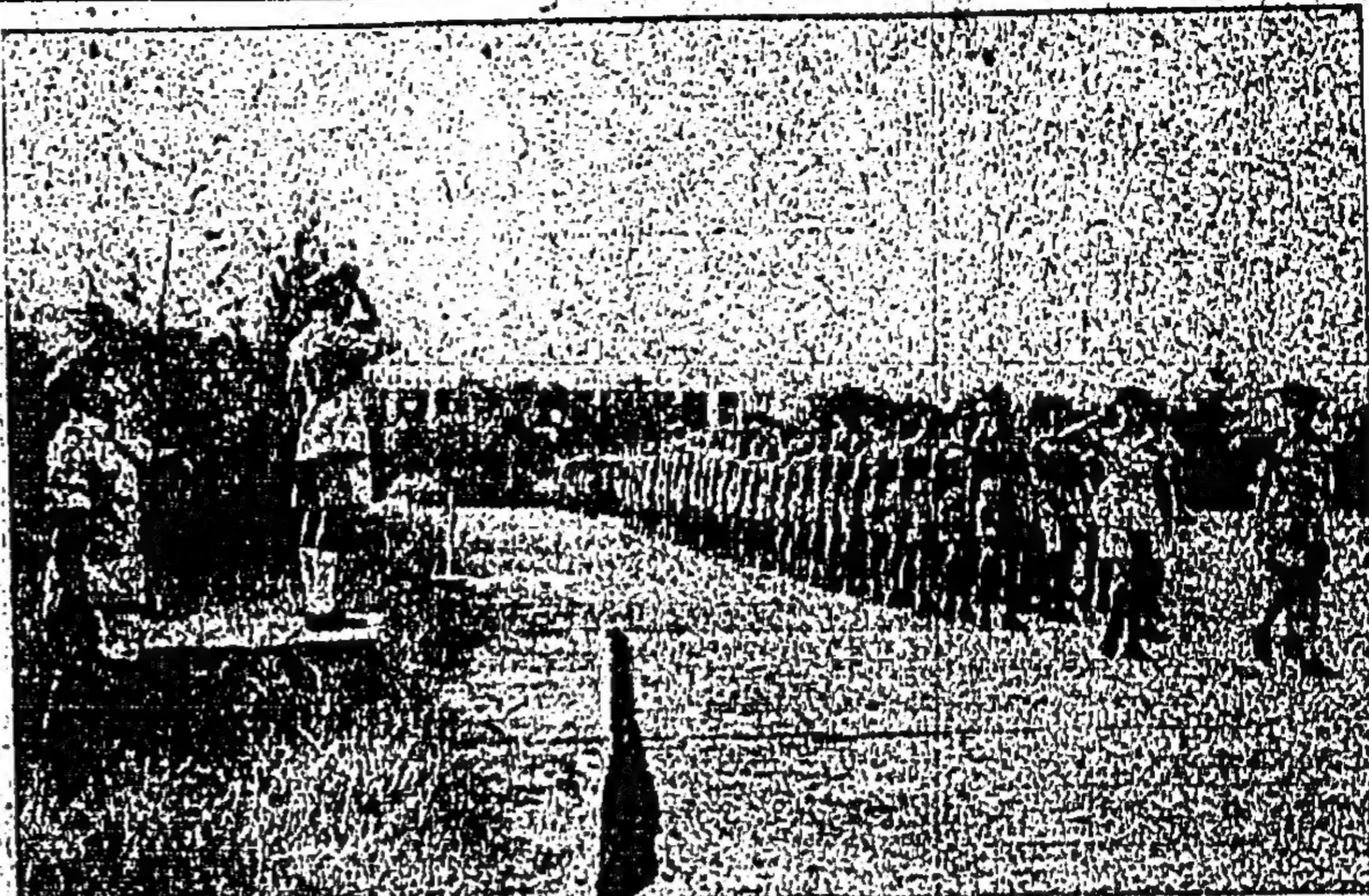
### Officers observe attack

These top officers observed the attack with General MacArthur: Major-General Edward Almond, Chief of Staff for General MacArthur and also Commanding General of the newly-formed 10th Army Corps.

Major-General Oliver P. Smith, Commanding the 1st Marine Division which is part of the Corps; Rear Admiral James Henry Doyle, Amphibious Attack Commander; Vice Admiral Arthur Struble, Seventh Fleet Commander; and Lieutenant-General Lomuel Shepherd, Commander of the Fleet Marine Force in the Pacific.

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### RAF March Past



Group Captain J. Worrall, DFC, shown taking the salute at the March Past in the ceremonial parade at Kai Tak yesterday commemorating the Battle of Britain. (China Mail photo)

### Chiang broadcasts appeal

Taipei, September 15. The Chinese Nationalist President, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, today broadcast an appeal to the Chinese in North and South America to aid in "the fight against Russia" and to liberate the Communist controlled Chinese mainland.

Charging Russia with wholesale aggression in China, President Chiang described the Chinese People's Government in Peking as a puppet created by Soviet Imperialism solely by brute force and not by the free will of the people.

Chiang's broadcast which was beamed to North and South American from Radio Formosa and relayed by a San Francisco radio station, followed similar speeches in recent months to missions of the Nationalist Chinese who came from Malaya, the Philippines and Sumatra to pay armistice.

Chiang said: "We are now engaged in a hard fight against Soviet Russia and the treacherous Chinese Communists in order to win freedom, independence for the Republic of China.

"During the past year, all provinces on the mainland fell behind the iron curtain, hundreds of millions of our people have been living under totalitarian oppression and Soviet servitude.

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He said: "Your country is becoming turned into a Soviet satellite. Your native places are being devastated by Communists who while plunging themselves wholeheartedly into pillage and murder behind the iron curtain, circulate a series of shameless lies to cover up their guilt.

"The so-called land reform is no more than a seizure of your property. The so-called labour induction is no less than enslavement of your relatives. The money you remit to your native and goes into the hands of the Communists through blockade on the China coast.

Chiang declared: "All your relatives in Communist occupied territories are living under great distress, eagerly hoping you will support the government in the recovery of lost territory and in delivering their lives and freedom."

Chiang claimed that social stability, popular education, greatly increased agricultural production, reduced land rental, local self-government and high state of military training and morale have all been achieved in Formosa.

He concluded: "Formosa today is not only our base for recovery but also the vanguard for democracy in Asia and a strategic point for security in Pacific regions." —Reuter.

### Seamen refuse to sail ship with U.S. cotton for Tsingtao

Several officers and men of the 10,000-ton merchant ship, ss. Samtruth, which has a cargo of 20,000 bales of high-density cotton bound for Communist China, indicated yesterday they would refuse to take the cargo to any Chinese Communist port.

The ship was yesterday reported to be due to leave Hong Kong for Tsingtao.

Honduras, and Luis Huasa, Spanish citizen.

### Rod purchasing company

The Chinese Communist purchasing company in Hong Kong, the Universal Development Company, bought the cotton cargo on a 25 per cent margin.

The total cost of the cargo—US\$3,000,000—was paid on a letter of credit from the company through the Chase National Bank in New York.

An official of the Universal Development Company said yesterday that the company would not assist in taking cargo to any Communist port under any circumstances.

"We are fighting those... in Korea now. I am not going to be a party to selling them American cargo."

The six-foot four American officer said the ship left the United States from Galveston-Houston ports after loading her cargo bound for Hong Kong.

He added that the members of the crew first heard about the possibility of diverting the Samtruth to another port only when that ship arrived in Hong Kong yesterday.

Mr. Luis Huasa said last night that most of the crew resented being told their destination was Hong Kong, and when they arrived in this colony, to find that the ship might be diverted to a Communist port.

He added: "It looks like a double cross to me." He was interviewed through an interpreter.

### Second ship

An official of the Universal Development Company also reported yesterday that another ship, the ss. Progress, States arrived in Tsingtao yesterday with 10,000 bales of high-density cotton.

He claimed that this ship was handled by the United States. This could not be confirmed in Hong Kong yesterday.

Mr. Little said that he intended to see American Consuls today to determine his legal position, and whether he had the right to refuse to sail the ship to a Communist port if ordered to do so.

He added: "You can tell those Communists for me that I am not interested in their bonuses. As an American, I demand the right to refuse assisting Communist governments or economies in any way."

The ship's personnel consists of American and British officers and South American members of the crew.

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small coins in the Colony. It  
was officially announced yesterday.

The causes are not readily as-  
certainable since there is a steady  
flow of small coins from Treasury  
to the banks.

It is possible, said the Govern-  
ment spokesman, that the short-  
age may be caused, as suggested  
by the Press, by unscrupulous  
money market manipulators.

The theory that the coins are  
going across the border to China  
was discounted by the spokesman.

The subsidiary currency at pres-  
ent in circulation consists, of  
course, not only of coins but also  
of notes and at the moment there  
are more than 80,000,000 sub-  
sidiary coins and notes in circu-  
lation.

Government is continuing to  
make further issues of coins.  
Supplies are on order from the  
United Kingdom.

It is anticipated that in the  
course of the next few months  
the number of coins issued for  
circulation will be considerably  
increased.

A reserve of coins will be  
maintained in the Treasury.

### NOTICE

#### ISLAMIC UNION

Notice is hereby given that  
the Fourth Annual General  
Meeting will be held at the  
Cemetery Compound, Happy  
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17, 1950, at 11.00 a.m.

#### AGENDA

- To confirm the Minutes of the Extra-ordinary General Meeting held on January 8, 1950.
- To receive and, if considered fit, to pass the Report and Statement of Accounts for the period of July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950.
- Election of officers for ensuing year.
- To transact any other business.

By order of the General Committee  
A. R. A. RAHMAN,  
Hon. Secretary.

September 15, 1950.

### POLICE NOTICE

On September 7, 1950, at  
12.45 p.m. at Shanghai Street  
77 feet north of Kam Su  
Street, a Chinese boy named  
Lam Kam Wing, age 5 years,  
was run over by lorry No.  
5397 and received injuries  
which proved fatal.

Any persons witnessing the  
accident or who can give any  
information regarding the ac-  
cident are asked to communicate  
with Traffic Office, Kowloon,  
Telephone numbers 50735, 58629 and 59114 or with  
any other Police Stations.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

September 8, 1950.

### NOTICE

Members of the public are  
hereby notified that no em-  
ployee of the Urban Council  
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N. B. M. WHITLEY,  
Secretary,  
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Hong Kong, Sept. 14, 1950.

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## Interesting talk on early Sino-Portuguese relations

An interesting account of early Sino-Portuguese  
relations was given by Dr. Chang Tion-tso,  
MA, PhD., in a talk at the Club Lusitano yes-  
terday.

The talk was arranged in a  
joint session of the Portuguese  
Institute and the Sino-British  
Club.

Dr. Chang was introduced by  
Mr. Jack Braga who said momentous  
events were taking place in the  
Far East, and, in order to  
evaluate those events, one must

look back to the early relations  
between East and West. Dr. Chang  
said he was one of the scholars  
who had studied this im-  
portant from both Chinese and for-  
eign historical sources.

Dr. Chang started his talk with  
an outline of the earliest contacts  
between the Portuguese and the  
Chinese from their initial meet-  
ing at Malacca. He spoke of the  
voyage of Jorge Alvares to China in  
1513, as a result of which friendly  
relations between the two peoples began.

Several other voyages followed  
and in 1517 the Portuguese  
decided to send an envoy to China.  
The choice fell upon a learned  
scientist, Thome Pires, and he  
left for China in the first of which  
of which Fernao Peres de Andrade  
was captain-major. Good relations  
were established, and it looked as if a long era  
of friendship was about to begin.

The prosecution alleged that  
defendant kicked a fellow pris-  
oner, Chan Chim, on June 21  
and that as a result, Chan died.

The charge of manslaughter  
had been dropped and a charge  
of assault preferred against the  
accused.

Defendant denied the charge in  
court and said that he accidentally  
kicked the deceased.

Hearing of the case was fixed  
for October 12 at 2.30 p.m.

Reginald Charles Thomas, aged  
34, master mariner, was fined  
\$100 or four weeks imprisonment  
by Mr. J. Reynolds at Central  
yesterday when he pleaded guilty  
to a charge of disorderly conduct  
on September 14 at the Emporium.

Detective Sub-Inspector James  
Marlin told the court that defen-  
dant used abusive, threatening  
and insulting words to Mr. Chow,  
manager of the Emporium.

DSI Marlin said that he did not  
want to repeat the words, the  
accused used, as they were dis-  
gusting and would certainly have  
caused a breach of the peace.

Sentence of nine months hard  
labour was imposed on two Kow-  
loon Police Station colliers by Mr.  
R. W. S. Winter at Kowloon yes-  
terday on three counts of im-  
personating revenue officers, police  
officers and demanding  
money with menace.

Defendants, Kwok Cheung,  
aged 20, and Fung Man, aged 23,  
were alleged to have demanded  
various sums of money from  
hawkers by pretending they were  
law officers. Second defendant  
who was recommended for  
banishment, was additionally  
charged with unlawful possession  
of a police officer's uniform.

Remarking that one of the  
greatest collaborators is one who  
uses arms for world robbery, Mr.  
James Winter, Kowloon police  
chief, sentenced a 26-year-old  
woman, Lau Yat, to three years hard labour for  
the possession of 140 lbs. of  
ammunition on September 8. The  
Court was informed that a fatal  
accident had occurred on  
that day.

Defective Sub-Inspector E. K. O'Reilly, who prosecuted, said  
that defendant's husband had  
absconded since the police raid  
and that defendant has a 10-  
year-old son.

Trooper Raymond George Owen,  
and 21 of the Third Royal Tank  
Regiment, Belgrave Camp, were  
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## COMMONS APPROVE REARMAMENT PLAN

London, September 14.  
The House of Commons tonight gave general approval without a division to the Government's rearmament plans, estimated to cost £3,680,000,000.

The Conservative Opposition had been critical during the three-day debate which ended tonight but did not press its discontent to a vote, and a Government motion approving, among other things, the extension of the period of conscription from the present 18 months to two years, was approved.

In the closing speech for the Government, the Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, revealed that the target of the Western Union defence organisation was close to 60 divisions but this force would not be assembled, he added, until 1953 and 1954.

Britain intended to send an extra army division to Germany by March next year, Mr. Shinwell continued.

Asked if the British contribution of one division by next year was adequate, Mr. Shinwell replied, "Yes, I do, I know exactly what the French expect of us."

Closing the debate for the Opposition, Mr. Anthony Eden, Britain's wartime Foreign Secretary, declared that Britain would have to have more troops on the Continent than the three divisions promised by the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee.

Mr. Eden said that the increase from two to three divisions in Germany was rather meagre. He forecast that the Prime Minister would probably have to review this matter again.

### British air load

"Our contribution to the stationing of troops on the Continent will have to be larger than three divisions," he declared.

Mr. Eden said that no one believed that Russia was fundamentally evil.

"What we have felt is that Soviet Russia for years past has not fulfilled either the letter or the spirit of the negotiations and terms into which she freely entered on her own account."

Declaring that Britain's lead in jet aircraft was unchallenged, Mr. Eden said that it might well not want such an army but were willing to make a contribution towards a European army.

"But now, as I understand him (Mr. Crossman), he is against that too, but in favour of a large armed police with an army inside which is what the Russians have in the East," Mr. Churchill added.

Mr. Crossman replied that the Germans, in the long run, could not be kept forever from carrying arms.

"We ought to accept now the need for a Western European State consisting of all those who want to federate, because that would enable you to have an army in which Germans could serve. But we ought to be an army of their own, but for a larger and stronger police force."

### Obvious objective

He thought that her claim must be accepted as well founded in view of what had happened in Eastern Germany. This police force ought to be provided.

"It is merely a development of our own actions that Germany should be associated in the defense of the free nations. That is an obvious and proper objective," Mr. Eden said.

He hoped that agreement would be reached by the Foreign Secretaries in New York and that it would make it possible for a German contribution to be made in due course to the international force which was to defend Europe.

Reference to the participation of Germany in Western Union was made by Mr. Shinwell, the Defence Minister, when he wound up the debate for the Government.

He said, "If Mr. Churchill imagines that he can compel the German people to do as he desires, he is making a very great mistake."

"The German people have a right to be consulted as to whether they wish to make a contribution or not."

The Government intended to integrate the Western Union defence organisation with the North Atlantic treaty organisation and eventually promote a uniform command for the whole North Atlantic treaty.

"We shall proceed to build up a Western Union defence organisation speedily with or without the assistance of the Opposition," Mr. Shinwell declared.

### MP's objection

Mr. Richard Crossman, leader of the "Keep Left" group in the Labour Party, said that he was against Germany having an army.

He asked if the morale in France would be improved by having a German army, headed by the people who four years ago were condemned as war criminals.

"You cannot have a German army without commanders and officers and the only ones they have got are already condemned," he said.

The defence of Germany against aggression from the Eastern bloc must remain the responsibility of the Occupation Powers and the Germans must be given power to suppress Germans if Eastern Germans "try to Korea in Germany," Mr. Crossman said.

Mr. Winston Churchill, leader of the Opposition, interrupted to ask if he was wrong in thinking that at one time Mr. Crossman favoured a neutrality policy for Germany.

Mr. Crossman replied that looking at it in the long run he hoped that there would not be a war between Britain and Russia. In the long run there was only one solution for Germany. That was to be isolated.

"But even then we must neutralise them. In the short run we must give them police and nothing else," Mr. Crossman added.

### Vital years

Mr. Churchill interrupted again to say that he originally understood Mr. Crossman to mean that

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## BIRTH

To Diana and Tony Dawcon-  
Grove in Kowloon Hospital  
on 10th September 1930, a  
girl.

## DEATHS

PANG—Pang Yung Ting, manager  
of Lai Kee Company, at his  
residence, 151 Wanchai Road,  
at 1 p.m., September 10, 1930,  
aged 65. Cause: high blood  
pressure. Funeral service will  
be held at 12:45 p.m. today at  
Hong Kong Funeral Home,  
Wanchai Road; procession  
leaving for Tsim Wan at  
1 p.m.

OXBERRY—Mrs. Annabella  
Oxberry, aged 70, widow of  
the late Mr. J. H. Oxberry,  
peacefully at her residence,  
10 Granville Road, Kowloon,  
on Friday, September 16, 1930.  
Funeral at the Jewish  
Cemetery at 5 p.m., Sunday,  
September 17. No flowers by  
request.

THE ARMY OF  
HOMELESS

There are nearly half a  
million people in the Colony  
who rank as squatters. Of  
these some 10 per cent only  
are in regular employment.  
The figures are startling  
enough in themselves. But  
placed in juxtaposition with  
the other basic facts of the  
problem, they are even more  
disquieting. The recent spell  
of dry weather has caused con-  
cern about the water supplies.  
Consumption lately has ex-  
ceeded by two million gallons  
daily the amount consumed  
at this time last year. Sites  
available for the army of the  
homeless are few and are  
diminishing owing to other  
demands. There are shortages  
of all sorts—apart from the  
matter of cost of installing  
proper latrines, pipes, and  
other essentials. The problem  
is a headache for all departments  
concerned, and though some  
of them are overworked  
especially the Social Welfare  
Department—they carry on  
their job with a distressing  
feeling of frustration.

The Japanese created their  
own problems during the  
occupation; they were not imposed  
upon them, as at present in Hong Kong, by circumstances  
beyond the control of the local authorities.  
They met them ruthlessly.  
Thousands of people were  
compelled to leave. Manifestly we cannot emulate them,  
though a good case could be  
made out for more stringent  
action than has so far been  
taken. In some instances  
Hong Kong is between the  
devil and the deep sea. Peking  
broadcasts its wrath at any regulation  
of immigration; it has one law for us and quite  
another for itself. And the  
authorities in Formosa have  
been far from accommodating.

There is the case of the  
refugees who for quite a long  
time were established at the  
end of Molton Davis Road, and  
were later transferred to  
Rennie's Mill. Some of them  
came from Kwantung, but  
the majority were from  
Northern Provinces, and  
belonged to military units.  
The obvious place for  
them was Formosa, since  
they appeared reluctant to  
try and get back to their own  
provinces by railway. But  
the Nationalist authorities  
showed a singular lack of  
interest in men who had formerly  
fought in their ranks. These  
7,000 refugees have thus become  
a charge on the community.  
They cost the taxpayers here the sum of  
\$200,000 a year money that  
could be put to better use  
than in maintaining all these  
men in idleness.

They have been here long  
enough to feel they have a  
very strong claim upon the  
community. So much so that  
they would be entitled to

one little freedom—burst  
upon a grateful British public  
every three or four days of  
the present Parliament's  
career up to date, by kind  
permission of H.M. Government.

Anybody will calculate at  
his fingers' tips how much, reduce the  
average to a sharp point, than  
that. The basic fact is that the  
British have been "liberated" 20  
times in 87 parliamentary  
working days.

That should work out in the  
hands of experts, at point-some-  
thing of a freedom per day, or  
point-nought-something, or  
freedom per hour.

**Something given?**

Some say Mr. Attlee's un-  
certain majority did it. But  
could Mr. Churchill's frozen  
alone have caused it? Could Sir  
David "Muxwell" Rylands' warnings  
about hard times have spurred  
the Socialist liberators? Was  
it all due to Mr. Lytton's  
postings? Or to Sir Stafford  
Cripps? Or to Mr. Eden's  
Demosthenic oratory?

No. There was something else.  
The Socialists just became sud-  
denly reckless. Something just  
gave. To coin a phrase, freedom  
came 'busin' all over. Let's  
examine the phenomenon in  
more detail.

Three days after this Parliament  
opened, Mr. George Isaacs  
stepped into the Commons with  
high-pressure news. Direction of  
labour was no more. The Com-  
mittee of Engagement Order had  
passed.

Mr. Churchill was blamed for  
Mr. Isaacs' sad lapses. But Mr.  
Isaacs owned up. He had just  
let freedom get the better of him.  
And look what he started!

Suddenly Mr. Maurice Webb,  
the new Food Minister, de-  
clared fish. It was April, and  
spring was here. You never can  
trust a Socialist in the spring.

But May was even worse. Mr.  
Webb, enthralled by the "great  
Fish Freedom," chose May Day to  
abolish the 5s. price limit on  
restaurant meals. Three days  
later Mr. Aneurin Bevan stirred.  
The Health Minister restored the  
housing "ratio" from one pri-  
vate-enterprise house to ten built  
by local councils, to one in five.

Mr. Noel-Baker, the Fuel Min-  
ister, is not the man to remain  
unchanged by revolution. On  
May 8 he gave housewives free-  
dom to buy coke from anyone.  
**Permitless**

Ten days later, the whole  
edifice of bondage was tottering.  
Mr. Webb allowed housewives to  
buy milk from anyone. You  
could now buy milk from the  
coolman and coal from the  
man.

Life was becoming sadly per-  
mitless. The rot might have  
stopped there but for Mr. Dalton,  
who had swept Mr. (now  
Lord) Silkin out of the Planning  
Ministry with his new broom.

Mr. Dalton spent some time  
thinking how wicked Mr. Silkin

abroad that some of them,  
particularly the Cantonese,  
might be sent across the border,  
they raised an outcry.  
Actually it was a misunder-  
standing, arising from the re-  
gistration and classification of  
the refugees, and from certain  
measures taken to deter  
offences against camp regulations.

Infringement of these  
had already resulted in a fire  
which gutted a great many  
of their huts.

These are the people, in-  
cidentally, over whom two  
storms in a single teacup were  
raised the other day. They  
figured in a fight with local  
trade unionists who asked  
for trouble—and in vigorous  
protests from the Chinese  
Communists, who insist one  
day on unrestricted entry, and  
protest the next against giving  
accommodation to these  
Nationalist refugees!

Messages from Taipeh in-  
cide that the Executive  
Yuan is now showing a little  
more interest. Sympathy has  
been cabled to the local relief  
organisations. The Executive  
Yuan has even held a special  
meeting to consider the appeal  
of the 7,000 to be allowed entry  
into Formosa. As a result  
certain recommendations have  
been made to the Government,  
and perhaps something will  
be done about it—at least, in  
so far as the Northerners are  
concerned. The Nationalist  
Government has had to take a  
great many jolts lately, but  
everybody who has been to  
Formosa testifies to the great  
improvements in practically  
all domains during the past  
few months. It is not, per-  
haps, too much to hope that  
the responsibility of accepting  
these refugees and making  
them useful and productive  
citizens will soon be realized.

The Canadian link is being laid  
in three sections to hurry final  
link-up. The first leg, 20 inches  
in diameter, runs from Edmonton  
to Regina to Gretna on the U.S.  
border in Manitoba, and the third

from Gretna to Super-

18 inches, from Gretna to Super-

construction gongs are working  
14 hours a day to lay 1,150  
miles of pipe which will funnel  
prairie oil of Alberta to hum-  
ming industries in Ontario and  
Quebec.

Cheap fuel from the West will  
enable Canada's Eastern provinces  
not only to double their  
World War Two efficiency as  
arsenals of Britain, but to tackle  
monstrous orders for armaments  
now expected any day from the  
United States.

American and Middle Eastern  
oil pipes are larger and longer  
than this—Canada's first—but  
none has been laid at such speed.

Work was begun in May last  
and this month 90,000 barrels  
of oil daily will flow through  
the pipe from Edmonton, Alberta, to  
the Western tip of Lake Superior  
in Wisconsin, U.S. From there it  
will be shipped by tankers  
through the Great Lakes to  
Sarnia, Ontario whence it will be  
distributed to heat homes, drive  
vehicles, and power machines in  
the great areas around Toronto  
and Montreal, today the fastest  
expanding industrial regions in  
the world.

Gushing Alberta wells like  
Leduc, Golden Spike, and Redwater  
which have all been tapped  
since 1947 after 10 years of fruitless  
drilling now represent the  
most vital sources of oil in North  
America.

On their heels come the  
machines. Automatic shovels dig  
a trench five feet deep and three  
feet wide, excavating in one day

as much earth as could 600 men

by hand. Alongside them move  
side-boom tractors which hold the  
end of the pipe up while it is  
dressed, first with a thick coat  
of tar, then wrapped spirally like  
a stick of toffee in asphalt paper.

The side-boom tractors then  
lower the pipe into the trench  
and bulldozers fill in the earth.

The existing wells in Alberta  
produce 180,000 barrels a day.

Canada, however, consumes 220,

000 barrels daily. This means  
that for the time being Canada must  
still take two-thirds of her oil  
from the sadly depleted American  
wells.

But geologists believe that

drilling during the past three  
years has merely scratched the  
underground reservoirs of Cana-  
dian oil. They insist there is  
enough here to supply the  
needs of the United States, and  
possibly more.

In consequence, 70 companies

are still drilling identically to fit

the 7,000 to be allowed entry  
into Formosa. It is being spent on  
exploration for oil and the develop-  
ment of existing wells. Any day

another great spout of black

liquid may leap into the

air and about the presence of a

huge pool of power below.

Where only stubble grows

now, whole towns will rise

overnight. In the oilfield, the  
farmers of Manitoba will be

reborn. In China, back to

their former homes, the

refugees will return to their

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# VOTE ON STEEL BILL IN HOUSE NEXT WEEK

## Attlee risks Government downfall on controversy

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, tonight decided to risk the downfall of his Government and an immediate general election by announcing in Parliament that he intended to go ahead with steel-nationalisation.

The Conservative leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, immediately rose to brand the Government's action as "reckless and wanton".

He pushed forward a motion deplored that "at a most critical period in national safety" Britain should be "plunged into fierce political controversy at home."

Within minutes it was learned in the lobbies that the Government had decided to accept the Churchill challenge and regard his motion as one of censure, which, if carried, would mean its resignation.

The Cabinet decided that it was imperative that the iron and steel industry be brought under State control without delay in the interests of Britain's new £3,000,000,000 rearmament plan, authoritative quarters said tonight.

If the Government were defeated on Mr. Churchill's censure motion, it would, therefore, seek a fresh mandate from the country in a general election.

The Government threw its bombshell on steel nationalisation into the comparatively calm of Parliament's emergency session on defence, when the Supply Minister, Mr. George Strauss, announced that appointments to the Board to operate nationalised steel would be made on October 2.

Loud cheers from the Government benches greeted the announcement.

### Debate on Tuesday

Mr. Churchill jumped to his feet to announce that the Conservatives would put forward a motion tonight condemning the Government's action. He demanded a debate on the question.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, leader of the House, agreed to a debate on Tuesday.

Mr. Raymond Blackburn, who resigned from the Labour Party because it refused to have a coalition government, which he considered necessary, spoke against the Government.

Amid Government protests he asked the Prime Minister if he did not consider that the prime responsibility today was to nationalise.

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in-Chief of the British troops and High Commissioner Austria.

Mr. Strauss said that the vesting day of the Corporation—when the ownership of the 100 major companies would be taken over—would be on January 1, 1951, or as soon as practicable thereafter.

### New board

The Government has consistently declared that it would operate the Act as soon as possible, but many Opposition members believed that it intended, because of its precariously small majority in Parliament, to play for time.

The Supply Minister, Mr. Strauss, told the House that the appointments to the Steel Board would be made on Monday, October 2.

The Chairman would be a 64-year-old Scot, Mr. Steven James Lindsay Hardie of Paisley, Chairman of Directors of the British Oxygen and Allied Companies.

He is a Chartered Accountant and a part-time member of the Commission which controls the nationalised British transport industry.

The Board will consist of the Chairman and not less than six or more than 10 other members.

Others of the six members who have already accepted office include Sir John Green (Deputy Chairman), 56, who is Chairman of the Central Conference of the Engineering and Allied Employers' National Federation; Sir Henry Vaughan Berry, 60, former regional Commissioner at Hamburg of the British Control Commission for Germany, and General Sir James Steel, 55, former General Officer Commanding-

## Egypt decides on policy in dispute with Britain

Paris, September 14.

Egypt has decided its policy on the presence of British troops in Egypt and its claim for unification of Egypt and the Sudan, it was announced here today.

The Egyptian Embassy, in a formal communiqué, said the Foreign Minister, Mohammed Salih El Din Bey, and the Premier, Nahas Pasha, had decided on the line to be followed in talks here during the past few days.

There was no hint of the nature of their decisions and the Egyptian Embassy declined to give further details.

The communiqué was issued shortly before the Egyptian Foreign Minister left by train for Cherbourg to board the liner Queen Elizabeth for New York and the United Nations Assembly.

It said: "The Foreign Minister submitted to Prime Minister Nahas Pasha the details of preliminary conversations which took place between the Foreign Minister and the British Ambassador (Sir Ralph Stephenson) in Cairo.

"These conversations regarded the two questions of: evacuation of British troops from Egypt and the Sudan and the unity of these two countries (Egypt and the Sudan) under the Egyptian crown as well as the question of defence of the Middle East.

"After a full examination, the Prime Minister and the Foreign

## The Shah at manoeuvres



Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlevi (left), looking over a map with General Abbas Garzan, Iranian Army Chief of Staff, during troop manoeuvres near Tehran. (AP Photo)

## Truman orders action on Jap peace treaty

Washington, September 14.

President Truman has directed the State Department to renew efforts to write a Japanese peace treaty.

The President told the Press that the first efforts will take the form of informal discussions with the nations most actively concerned in the Pacific fighting during the second world war, including Russia.

He also said the United States Government is reopening negotiations for peace treaties with Germany and Austria.

The President read the following statement to newsmen: "It has long been the view of the United States Government that the people of Japan were entitled to a peace treaty which would bring them back into the family of nations. As is well known, the United States Government first made an effort in 1947 to call a conference of nations holding membership in the Far Eastern Commission, the ones most actively concerned in the Pacific War."

The President continued: "It is not expected that any formal action will be taken until an opportunity has been had to assess the results of these informal discussions. This policy in regard to the Japanese peace treaty is in accord with the general effort of the United States to bring to an end all war situations. We have long pressed the USSR for an Austrian treaty and we are exploring the possibility of ending the state of war with Germany."

### Soviet included

In response to a question, Mr. Truman said the USSR would certainly be included in the informal discussions by the State Department.

Another reporter asked him whether the rearming of Japan would be discussed and the President replied that the whole matter would be taken up among the conferees. The reporter referred to a passage in the President's statement regarding the exploration of the possibility of ending the state of war with Germany and asked whether that would be done by the Foreign Ministers and whether another meeting by them on the German treaty would be held. The President replied that it would.

Mr. Truman said he would definitely keep the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, in his Cabinet.

He had asked the Australian Minister of External Affairs, Percy Spender, to discuss his Pacific pact proposal with Mr. Acheson.

(The British Government maintained that it is essential for Britain to fulfil her contracts undertaken to supply Egypt with arms.)

(The British Government announced yesterday that certain high priority armaments, such as jet planes and Centurion tanks, would not be delivered to Egypt by the agreed dates because of the extended British military defence programme.) — Associated Press and Reuters.

### SHAW IN FORM

Luton, September 14.

General Bernard Shaw observed tarty today that his death would make his surgeon really famous.

"It will do you no good if I get over this," the crusty, 94-year-old Irish playwright warned the surgeon, L. W. Lowes. "A doctor's reputation is made by the number of eminent men who die under his care."

Dr. Lowes, who is treating Shaw for a fractured left hip, replied drily that he would pass fame by in this case.

Shaw, who fell in his garden on Sunday and underwent an operation on Monday, has been in and out of bed twice since coming out of the anaesthetic.

He made his second sortie today. He stood for a full minute on his good leg, and waved the injured one around for good measure.—Associated Press.

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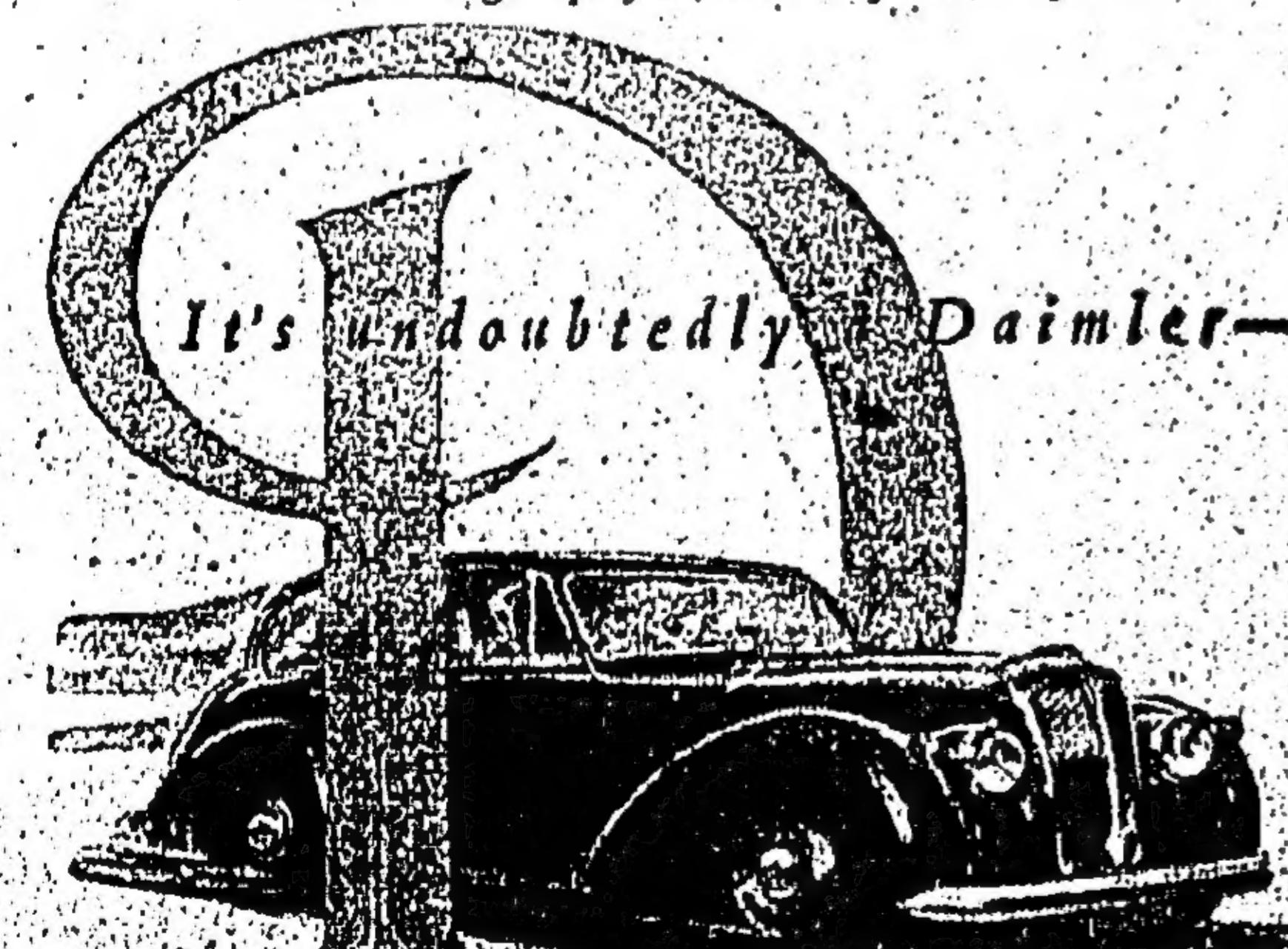
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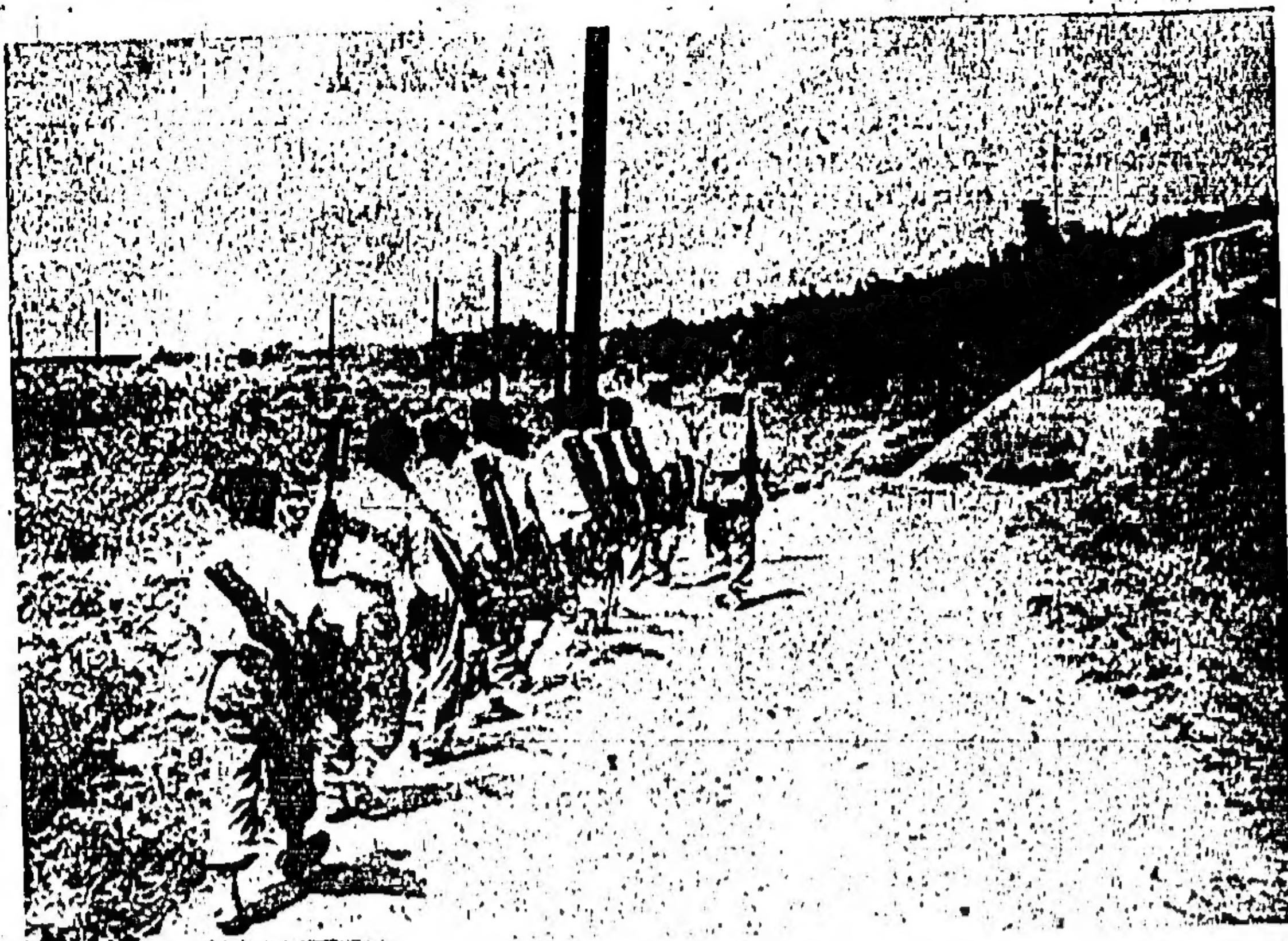
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## South Korean bazooka-men



A South Korean bazooka team steps out to the front, taking cover from the railway embankment and led by a soldier with an automatic rifle. (AP Photo)

## "BIG THREE" MEETING DISCUSSES FAR EAST

New York, September 14.

The Big Three Foreign Ministers began discussions this afternoon on Far Eastern problems, starting with basic general agreement that Formosa should be neutralised. The Korean war will also be discussed by the Ministers.

No delegation sources were prepared to say, however, how this neutralisation would be achieved. It was known, on the other hand, that both France and Britain disapproved of the United States' unilateral action in assigning the Seventh Fleet to the defence of Formosa.

The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, are expected to take the opportunity to tell the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, that another formula for the island's neutralisation must be devised to obtain their support.

The question of Formosa is related to admission of the Communist Chinese Government to the United Nations—another problem the Western Foreign Ministers are to discuss.

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Informed sources pointed out that no joint decision on admission of the Peking regime was likely to come out of the Waldorf conference because the positions of all three participants were clear and were not likely to change.

Britain supports admission of Peking. France makes it conditional on Mao Tse-tung's discontinuing aid to the Vietminh rebels in Indo-China. The United States does not favour admission, but, as the United States spokesman said, its position is flexible insofar as it will not veto in the United Nations Security Council any motion to admit the Peking regime.

Observers believe the Big Three will limit themselves to exchange and clarification of their views on Far Eastern problems prior to the UN General Assembly session which opens next Tuesday at Flushing and which will hold a full-fledged debate on these questions as well as on means of ending the Korean conflict.

**Communiqué issued**

Mr. Acheson, Mr. Bevin and M. Schuman summed up their talks in a communiqué which said:

"Insofar as Asia is concerned, the Ministers welcomed the great manifestation of solidarity of 53 nations in support of the United Nations in meeting the aggression in Korea. They also exchanged views in regard to the following questions:

1. The security of South East Asia from direct or indirect aggression.

2. The political, military and economic development of the Associated States of Indo-China.

3. The continuation of the United Nations interest in Korea after the termination of hostilities.

4. Questions concerning the peaceful disposition of the problem of Formosa.—Associated Press.

**OFFERS OF HELP IN KOREA**

Washington, September 14.

Offers of help in the Korean fighting from 15 nations have been accepted by the United Nations, diplomatic sources said today.

The latest offers were from the Netherlands, which plans to send a company of marines and a company of army volunteers, and from Belgium, which offered a somewhat larger force.—Associated Press.

**Gap narrowing**

The Foreign Ministers spent a vital morning session discussing the vital issues of West German rearmament and German participation in the defence of Western Europe.

It was understood that no agreement was reached on major issues and that further discussion was postponed.

The Ministers met this morning without any advisors other than the three High Commissioners for Germany, who had been working overnight to draft an agreed formula for the expansion of West Germany's police forces.

This was quite apart from the question of whether Germany should have a military force of her own to contribute to Western Europe.

Observing thought before the meeting that the gap was narrowing on the points which still divided America on the one hand, and Britain and France on the other.

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THE CHINA MAIL, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1950.

## DON IDDON'S DIARY

Oh, Mr. Malik, what moves you to mirth? It sounds like a popular comic song, but there is nothing funny about it.

The chief Russian delegate to the United Nations started August as sombre as an undertaker. He ended the month with a smiling face.

He came into the delegates' lounge at Lake Success the other day when I was there, went to the bar, ordered a cocktail, changed his order to soda-water, and actually chatted with correspondents.

The Russian looked positively happy. Why? I give you all the guesses you want.

The Anglo-American dilemma over Formosa? The revelations concerning British and American shipments to Russia? The new outbreak of quarrels, feuds, and dissensions in the U.S. Cabinet? The railway tie-up in Canada and the seizure in the United States? Right every time.

No wonder Malik now grins. He revels in a mammoth mix-up over machine-tools, molybdenum, MacArthur, Secretary of Navy Matthews, and general muck-making.

During the entire month of Malik's presidency of the Security Council only Winston Churchill in his Saturday broadcast hit the Russian target square in the bull's or bear's eye.

All the other spokesmen on our side have been spouting trifles. The Churchill speech told the simple truth—something that Americans had waited so long to hear.

Today, in the wake of the speech, they are bending their ears for a similar message from Washington.

**Down to the job**

They are ready for sacrifices and inconveniences on the home front. They would almost welcome the small irritations of giving up 1951 motor-car television sets, and luxury goods.

They want to be told there will be no waistcoat with the new suit, no turn-ups on the trousers, no more bubble-gum, and no banana-splits.

Perhaps these splendid self-abnegations are unnecessary. So what? The U.S. longs to feel that it is buckling down to the job.

A pity Mr. Churchill is not coming to represent Britain at the Foreign Ministers' Conference in New York next month instead of Mr. Bevin.

## ISRAEL-JORDAN TENSION WORSE

Tel Aviv, September 14.  
The Israel Government today declared Jordan's charges that Jewish troops have entered her territory "a tissue of lies."

The Government said it takes a grave view of Jordan's alleged threat to use force against Israel and charged that Jordan thereby violated its armistice agreement.

The Israel attitude was outlined in a news conference called by Dr. Walter Eytan, Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, and Major-General Yigal Yadin, Army Chief of Staff.

It was made clear that Israel is ready to defend herself if attacked.

Dr. Eytan said the situation between Israel and Jordan is "rapidly becoming intolerable" because of alleged attempts to change Israel's frontiers.

He declared that Jordan's complaint to the United Nations Security Council was artificially created and added that Israel regards Jordan's action with the utmost seriousness.

Major-General Yigal Yadin, the Israeli Army Chief of Staff, warned the Arab States that his country would not tolerate the use of force to change the frontiers of Israel which were laid down by the United Nations armistice agreements.

**Not scared**

Replies to what he called a "propaganda campaign" by Jordan.

## Bonn Parliament walk-out

Bonn, September 14.  
The entire West German Parliament, led by the Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, walked out of the Bundestag this afternoon when a Communist woman deputy rose to denounce a declaration condemning the forthcoming East German elections.

As Gritze Thiele, a miner's daughter, went to the rostrum to defend the Communist Party, deputies rose spontaneously and hurried from the House.

Frau Thiele said that the White Book on the East German elections, prepared by Herr Kaiser, was a "bag of dishonest newspaper clippings".

The elections, she said, would be an expression of the German people's desire to re-occupy their country and tell the Western occupation "Yank" to "go home".

At this point, Dr. Fritz Doris, Extreme Right-winger, and one of the six members who remained behind, shouted "You're out, you little shit!"

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Congress may be rowing and blundering, but it is at least in session, tackling the nation's business—or haven't the Socialists heard?

The New World has its own scandals. And the question is: "Is there a doctor in the house?" There are several, and they are all rolling in money.

Out in Milwaukee one mediceman has reached £400 per day this month examining X-rays of conscripted soldiers. I said a day.

This doctor with the golden touch says he could not help it, because the Government pays five dollars per X-ray, and there have been 4,800 X-rays taken since August 1.

Another physician, in Omaha, Nebraska, announces he made \$3,000 in the first 20 days this month, and sometimes handles 177 men in a single day at £2 per man.

**Salute to women**

I am surprised American women don't cuff their men's ears and insist on some semblance of order. They are an aggressive, dominant, and, of course, very attractive lot.

It's 30 years since they got the vote, and look what they've done! They control two-thirds of the nation's wealth, they have made colossal strides in business and finance.

They run hotels, banks, stores, great corporations, but when it comes to politics they blinch and turn back. Only Mrs. Roosevelt and a handful of lesser ladies play any part in politics. Well, they could hardly do a worse job than the men.

Their letters to Congressmen and columnists flood the mail-boxes. The women are railing against hoarding, high prices, blundering, and political hand-outs.

**Eager for victory**

And now there is a move to conscript doctors and dentists, and the M.D.s simply have not been volunteering.

The Radicals point out that the great patriot Colonel McCormick, of the Chicago Tribune, is opposing the war as bitterly as the Reds, so why not jail him too?

In all this civilian sound and fury the Generals, excepting Douglas MacArthur, are saying very little. They are eager for a victory, and at least they have scored a social triumph.

"Operation Protocol" has just been won. For months all sorts of under-secretaries and minor politicians have outranked the U.S. joint Chiefs-of-Staff at State dinners. The diplomats have been close to the head of the table and the military has been near the foot.

Now all that has been changed. The Generals and Admirals have been promoted several notches at the insistence of Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson.

Today the joint chiefs are near

the joint and able to share in the gravy. This is a famous victory and one of the few successes Mr. Johnson has enjoyed so far.

Every day there are reports of the duel between Dean Acheson and Louis Johnson, and every night there are rather unconvincing denials.

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On Broadway, and in Hollywood, the showmen announced that plays and films should be less serious. The people are tired of messages—even the Post Office this year is losing money—so we are to have a gay and escapist entertainment, especially in television.

America's most gifted and erudite comedian, Fred Allen, said: "Television is based on the belief that there are a lot of people with nothing to do, willing to waste their time watching people who can do nothing."

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There are many watches—but only one—  
The Jordan Cabinet met in Amman for two hours today. They were reported to have considered the British reply to last week's note alleging Israel violation of the Jordan border.

The British note was believed to ask that no action be taken over the alleged violation until the United Nations Mixed Armistice Commission had investigated it.

A colonel of the Iraqi Army arrived here yesterday in response to the Jordan Government's invitation under the Jordan-Iraq mutual aid treaty.

After visiting the scene of the alleged frontier violation, the colonel will report his findings to his Government.—Associated Press and Reuter.

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**Narriman in Geneva****No compelling  
reason for  
conflict**

Denver, Colorado,  
September 14.

Professor Albert Einstein believes there is no compelling reason for a war between the United States and Russia.

In a telegram to the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, the German-born, now American, physicist said: "I am with you in the conviction that everybody and every group should do their utmost to help avoid the catastrophe which our human world is facing."

Purely technical means, such as the prohibition of certain weapons, was not an answer to international problems.

Professor Einstein was invited to address the Convention but declined for reasons of health.—Reuters.

**FREE TRADE UNIONS  
TO SET UP ASIA HQ**

Brussels, September 14.

The International Confederation of Free Trade Unions—the non-Communist rival of the World Federation of Trade Unions—has decided to set up an organisation in Asia to help the development of trade unionism and strengthen the forces of freedom.

The Emergency Committee of the ICFTU announced here today that its provisional Asian headquarters would be an information and advisory centre in Singapore.

Branch offices would be established in India, Japan and the Philippines.

Residential labour colleges would be set up within the next few months at Kandy (Ceylon) and Singapore to train Asian trade union leaders.

The ICFTU, whose world headquarters is in Brussels, was formed last December by trade union organisations of non-Communist countries which left the WFTU because of its pro-Communist policy.

The Confederation claims a membership of 50 million workers in 53 countries.

An ICFTU communiqué announced these decisions which, it said, would "give an immediate impetus to the development of democratic trade unionism in Asia and materially strengthen the forces of freedom and progress in that continent."

"The decision to choose Singapore as the ICFTU headquarters for Asia is provisional and dictated chiefly by considerations of ease of transport and communications in the initial stages," the communiqué said.

Details of the organisation in Asia would be subject to ratification by an Asian regional conference to be held in Karachi in May, 1956.

**Mission's report**

The decisions were taken by the ICFTU Emergency Committee on the recommendations of a five-man mission which recently made a 36,000-mile tour of 14 countries in South-East Asia.

Other decisions were set out as follows:

1.—Immediate participation in the work of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia, with a view to pressing for large-scale economic and technical projects.

2.—A substantial stepping up

of ICFTU Press publications in

the Asian languages with the object of spreading "our aims of national and social advancement" to counter the "destructive propaganda" of the Communists.

3.—To bring pressure through our affiliated organisations in Europe and America on large industrial concerns, in particular rubber, tea, tin and petroleum interests—which are impeding social progress in Asia by their reactionary labour policies.

4.—To oppose "reactionary and restrictive legislation which is hampering the free development of trade unions in many Asian countries."

5.—To co-ordinate the "existing activities of affiliated organisations—for example the American Federation of Labour and the British Trades Union Conference in Asia."

6.—To press for the immediate formation of autonomous trade union organisations in Indo-China."—Reuters.

**HOME GUARD  
IN MALAYA**

Singapore, September 14.

The Government of the Malay Federation took steps today for the formation of a Home Guard to assist British security forces to combat Communist guerrillas.

The new regulations promulgated provide for virtual conscription of all men between the ages of 18 and 55.—United Press.

**Washington plans  
aid programme**

Washington, September 14.

High United States officials said today that the State Department had under study a long-range programme for economic assistance to Middle Eastern nations and South East Asia which might call for the expenditure of as much as US\$300,000,000 a year for the next five years.

The study, which is still in the preliminary stages, has been concentrated on the need for increasing food production in these areas. India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Afghanistan, Iran, Israel and Egypt were mentioned as nations which might receive such assistance.

The programme was revealed by Administration officials after Senator Hubert Humphrey (Democrat) yesterday called for a "Marshall Plan" for Eastern nations, with a first instalment of not less than \$500,000,000 next year.

Administration leaders cautioned that their plan was not in any sense a giant new programme and should not be described as such. They did not intend to ask Congress to appropriate new funds for the project this year, but such a request would be made in 1951, possibly in the form of expansion of President Truman's Point Four programme for assistance to the underdeveloped areas of the world.

Officials described food production as the most serious problem faced by the nations of the Middle East and South East Asia. The new programme would concentrate on projects such as irrigation, development of better seeds, use of small tools, improved insecticides, fertilisers, etc.

The newspaper put forward the demands for the consideration of the United Nations General Assembly, which will discuss the problem of Jerusalem in its forthcoming session.

It declared: "The immunity of the holy places can only be assured on these conditions.

"Finally, an international statute for Jerusalem and its surroundings.

"Secondly, the protection and safety of all the other holy places, with full freedom of access and with respect for the sacred character of the Christian memories they hold.

"Thirdly, freedom for all Catholic institutions of worship, of charity, etc., and

"Fourthly, the protection of the aboriginal historical rights of the Catholics."

The newspaper described as "very distant from Catholic aspirations" the latest Israeli proposal, formulated at the end of the spring, for the internationalisation of the holy places, with the maintenance of the status quo in Jerusalem.—Reuters.

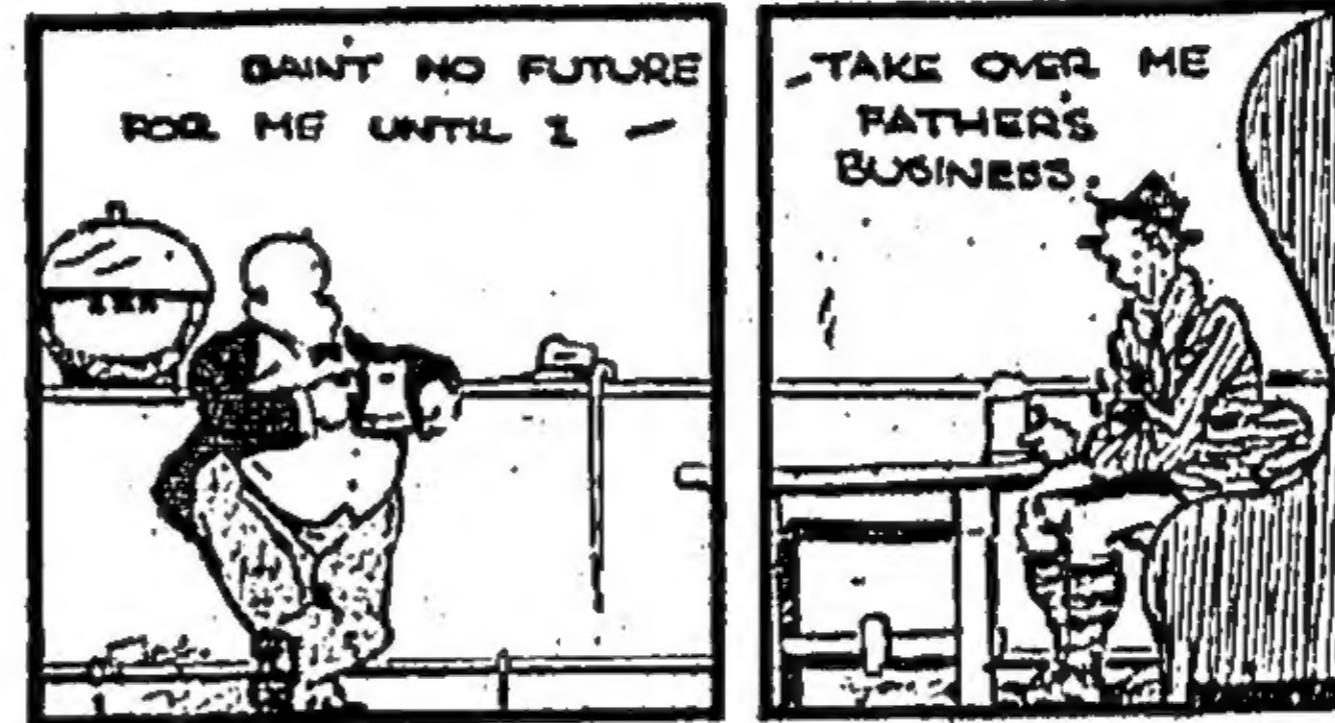
**STORM HAVOC  
IN JAPAN**

Tokyo, September 14.

Fourteen died and 22 were reported missing in a tropical storm which swept through the three main islands of Japan yesterday.

The storm had earlier been classified by weather experts as a typhoon and given the name "Keta."

But though the wind had dropped yesterday to "tropical storm" velocity, it flooded 20,000 houses, washed 1,000 away, 127 bridges damaged 100 ships and cut railway lines or communications at 20 places.—Reuters.

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## Bao Dai in Rome



Bao Dai, Emperor of Vietnam, with his wife and five children, arrived in Rome in his own Dakota plane from Nice, France. Their private visit lasted two days and they then returned to Southern France. Photo shows: The Emperor, followed by Bao Dai, leaves the plane at Ciampino Airport, Rome. (Associated Press Photo).

## Allegations about IRO refugee ship denied

Investigations into the adverse reports that the International Refugee Organisation ship, Anna Salen, is unfit to carry 1,500 passengers from North China have shown that the allegations are grossly exaggerated, according to IRO sources.

The investigations were carried out by Mr. Lorenzo Lo, Chief of IRO's Welfare Division, Far East Mission, who found that the report of a Committee formed by prospective passengers, was in some instances sheer product of imagination.

The ship is fully equipped, and capable of carrying 1,500 passengers, but owing to the high number of sick and aged, the present passenger load has been reduced to 1,300 persons.

The mv. Anna Salen is about 12,000 gross tons with spacious deck space, allowing for cinemas, dancing, and recreation. The ship is spotlessly clean, and the food is excellent. Drinking water is available 24 hours a day, while fresh water showers and baths are available from 8 to 9 a.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m.

After the ship gets into open sea, salt showers and baths will be available 24 hours a day. There are ample lavatory and washing facilities. Linen is changed once a week, and there are facilities for passengers to do their own laundry. The ship's automatic laundry will be made available for passengers at night after departure from Tokio.

At 11 p.m. all white lights in dormitories will be put out, while blue lights will be on all night. There is no curfew imposed and no restriction on being on deck after 11 p.m.

The registration hours will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. daily, at the following registration centres:

## Care of sick

Accommodations have been made so that all persons requiring special care and hospitalisation will be accommodated on the upper B Deck where full mess facilities, lavatory and washing facilities will be provided for them. The aged and infirm, not requiring special care and hospitalisation, will be accommodated on C Deck where there will be full mess facilities, lavatory and washing facilities, thus eliminating the necessity of climbing any stairs.

The remaining passengers will be accommodated on D Deck where there are complete mess facilities.

These passengers will have to climb one flight of stairs, consisting of 18 steps, to use lavatory and washing facilities. The stairways cannot be considered unusually steep, ranging from 45 degrees to 60 degrees, and are negotiable by any ambulatory person of any age.

There are reports that have volunteered to fight in Korea," he continued. "They are not true."

Westerling said the cost of living had forced him to move out of Brussels to somewhere in the country. He is only staying in the capital for about a week for business reasons.

Another reason for the move into the country, he said, is to have peace to write his memoirs. He was planning them for publication about the end of the year.

Westerling, who claims to speak seven languages, said he was writing his memoirs in English. But the task was made more difficult through loss of some diaries.—Associated Press.

## Medical staff

Special medical staff has been provided for the ship, and is fully adequate to handle any emergencies. A special area has been set aside for the mental cases and the medical staff specially provided for them. This area is carefully blocked off and tuberculosis cases have also been provided. There are sufficient able-bodied persons among the non-sick passengers to give the necessary assistance in the hospital areas and the kitchen to help the sick, aged and infirm.

It is, therefore, quite clear from the investigations of Mr. Lorenzo Lo that the adverse reports circulated about the Anna Salen are groundless and that there is no justification for any change in the original schedule of embarking 1,500 passengers for migration.

It is the opinion of Lorenzo Lo that the Anna Salen compares very favourably with any IRO vessel that has come to the Far East for movement of refugees.

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Up to the present, it has been necessary for merchants requiring an Import Licence into Australia to have their goods covered by a certificate of origin issued by the Department of Commerce and Industry.

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Shippers are advised that a revised Tariff No. 4 has been issued which will cancel all previous issues and will become effective on 1st September 1955.

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The revised Tariff will supersede the former Tariff.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged, dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after September 21, 1955, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on September 20, 1955, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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Berkshire (Jardine) ex-Thessaloniki

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## November

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Bruneau (Loeser) ex-U.K.

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## December

Bunyip (Loeser) ex-U.K.

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## October

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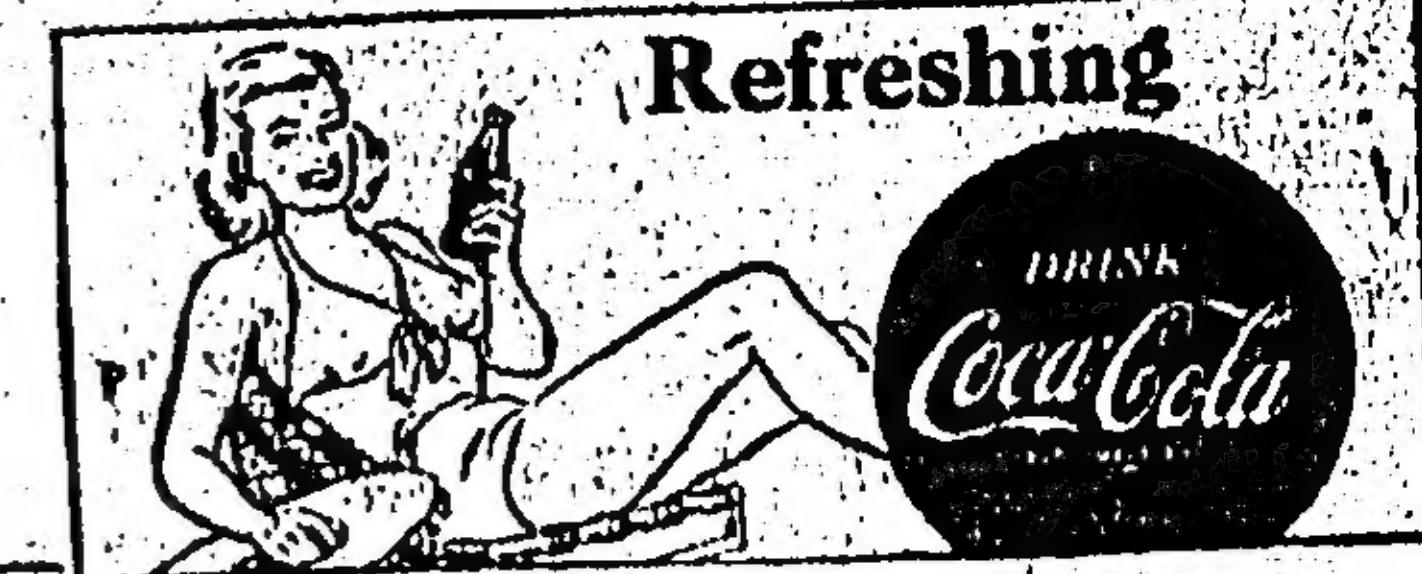
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By "ROVER"

A rare treat is in store for soccer enthusiasts over the week-end, when 20 games in the Stanley Shield Seven-A-Side Charity Competition will be played.

Ten of these games will be played on the Club ground at Happy Valley today, commencing at 2.30 p.m. while the other 10 will be played at the same place tomorrow, also commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Admission charges have been fixed at \$2 and \$1 respectively and the net gate receipts from the Competition will be donated to the International Red Cross or such other charities as the Hong Kong Football Association Council may deem fit.

A total of 61 teams entered for this year's Competition, but out of this number, four were eliminated on Thursday, when the first games in the series were played at Soo-kun-poo between Army teams.

**Thrills galore**

The games played on Thursday produced a high standard of football and there is no doubt that the matches down for decision today and tomorrow will also provide spectators with thrills and excitement galore.

Soccer fans who have been avidly discussing the chances of their favourites during the forthcoming League season will have a good opportunity of sizing up the strength of the opposition, as the cream of local soccer talent (a few Chinese stars who are on tour, will be on view in the course of the current Competition).

Interest of Chinese soccer fans will undoubtedly be centred on the two Kowloon Motor Bus teams.

The busmen, who still hold the Shield which they first won during the 1948/49 season, will be making an all-out effort to retain it for the third year in succession.

While KMB "B" may overcome Prison's, the "A" is not likely to have a very easy time in its match against HQ 28 Inf. Bde.

All in all, this year's Competition holds promise of being the most interesting to date and spectators who attend the matches to be played will not only have the satisfaction of seeing football of a high grade, but will also have the satisfaction of knowing that they will be helping a most deserving cause.

**Programme**

The following is the programme for today and tomorrow:

**Today**

- Kit Chee v RASC (B) 2.30 p.m. Referee: J. F. Ennis.
- Prison's v KMB (B) 3 p.m. Referee: J. G. Padley.
- South China (B) v St. Joseph's (B) 3.30 p.m. Referee: A. W. Leek.
- Navy (B) v Tramways (A) 4 p.m. Referee: J. W. Sharpe.

**W. INDIES WIN ONE-DAY MATCH**

Carlisle, September 14. The West Indies in a one-day match against a combined Cumberland and Westmorland side, today, won by 15 runs, the match being decided on the first innings although the West Indies had a second knock and hit 110 runs for the loss of four wickets. In the first they hit 244 runs and dismissed the combined side for 85 runs.

Marshall and Christiani scored 101 runs for the first wicket in 47 minutes. Marshall's 82 runs included six sixes and four fours.

**HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS**

London, September 14. The following were the results of football matches played today:

Third Division: Southern Newport 2 Wafford 2; Northampton 3 Leyton 3.

Friendly Match: Queen's Park Rangers 4 Galata Star 1—Reuter.

**RUGGER RESULTS**

(London) September 14. The following were the results of rugby matches played today:

Rugby Union: (Males) An international 100-100; Northants 100-100; London 100-100.

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**European YMCA hold final "Splash" Gala**

The European YMCA Swimming Section held its final "Splash" Gala of the season last night at the "Y" bath with a most enjoyable programme.

At the conclusion of the swimming, a dance was held in the course of which the "Lancaster" Cup was presented to Malcolm Cleimo as champion swimmer of the year by Mrs. L. Starbuck, wife of the "V" Vice-President.

**Results**

Following are the results of the contests:

50 yards Breast-stroke—1. R. Thompson; 2. I. Nicholson. Time 31.5 secs.

Invitation Relay Heat One—1. YMCA "B"; 2. Chung Sing.

100 yards Back-stroke—1. P. Thompson (only competitor).

Invitation Relay Heat Two—1. YMCA "A"; 2. Hong Kong Police.

100 yards Breast-stroke—1. I. Nicholson; 2. D. Loveday.

Invitation Relay Heat Three—1. Plunge—1. H. Gorey; 2. I. Nicholson. Distance 53' 1".

50 yards Free-style—1. D. Ingles; 2. M. Cleme. Time 28.4 secs.

Diving—1. P. Thompson; 2. Trooper Cook.

100 yards Free-style—1. J. Miller; 2. M. Nicholson. Time 65 secs.

8. Miniature FA (A) v RAMC (A) 6 p.m. Referee: Chan Tak-fai.

9. REME (B) PCA (A) 6.30 p.m. Referee: R. J. Hayhoe.

10. CAA (B) v Tramways (B) 7 p.m. Referee: F. P. da Silva.

**Tomorrow**

1. Sailors v KSLI 2.30 p.m. Referee: F. A. Barrett.

2. Police (B) v Police (C) 3 p.m. Referee: P. George.

3. Police (A) v Int. Staffords; 3.30 p.m. Referee: M. Yeung.

4. St. Joseph's (A) v Navy (A) 4 p.m. Referee: Wong King-chung.

5. Club (C) v Taikoo 4.30 p.m. Referee: Liu Ting-ki.

6. RAPC v Club (A) 5 p.m. Referee: Tang King-hong.

7. South China (A) v Dockyard 5.30 p.m. Referee: Li Bing-tong.

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**3 ROYAL TANK WIN**

The Stanley Shield Seven-a-Side soccer game between HQ 1A (B) and 3 Royal Tank Regt. at Soo-kun-poo on Thursday ended in a win for the latter by four goals to one.

**Interest centred on struggle for honours in First Division**

By "JACK-HIGH"

The Championship of the Second and Third Divisions of the Lawn Bowls League having been decided, interest is now centred in the struggle between Indian Recreation Club and Club de Recreio "Blue" for First Division honours.

Both these teams have played 14 matches, but the Indians are one and a half points ahead of the Portuguese.

At the present moment, the Indians stand the better chance of annexing the title, as they have only to play Hong Kong Football Club, whereas Crecreio "Blue" have to meet Kowloon Cricket Club and Kowloon Dock Club, entertain Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

The best of today's First Division League games should be seen at Hung Hom, where Kowloon Dock Club entertain Kowloon Cricket Club.

The Kowloon Dock Club have done very well to date and are playing excellent bowls. I cannot see how the Austin Road team can upset them.

In my opinion the Kowloon Dock Club should win by at least four points to one. The game today should be a closer one and although the Portuguese boys will be out to avenge their previous defeat, I think the Police will just make the grade.

Craigengower Cricket Club will be entertaining Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club at Happy Valley in what promises to be a very interesting game.

The home team should win.

**Today's games**

The following are the fixtures for today:

First Division

KCC v PRC

Heo v CCG

RDC v ABCC

IRC v HIFC

PRO v Heiro

CCC v KFC

Heiro v HKFC

ADCO v HKCC

Second Division

HIFC v HKCC

Heiro v HKFC

Heiro v HKFC

HKFC v HKCC

HKFC v HKCC